Greetings to the Seattle Women’s March, January 20, 2018

Build a bold, independent feminist movement!

Radical Women is proud to join thousands of feminists taking to the streets at Women’s March 2.0.

Today is a great day to celebrate resistance and strengthen opposition to assaults on women, queers, immigrants, people of color, and the poor by the U.S. government and wannabe fascists.

Stand up to the far right

Bigoted right-wing forces in the U.S. are growing stronger. Today’s march is being countered by an ultra-conservative group, Patriot Prayer, which announced protests of women’s marches in other cities as well. This organization promotes a brand of Christian nationalism. It has been emboldened by Trump’s agenda and spreads lies about “Islam seeping into America,” “anti-white indoctrination,” and a country overrun by “the insanity and hatred of the liberal left.”

Patriot Prayer actions have brought together a variety of white supremacists, Nazi enthusiasts, feminist-bashers, immigrant-haters, anti-Semites, homophobes, and anti-communists.

Last summer in Seattle, Patriot Prayer organized two public actions, then retreated after being met with massive opposition from a diverse range of activists and community members.

We’re going to keep up that resistance! Building a bold, disciplined, united opposition is our best defense.

Women need total system change

In order to defeat the alt-right and gain liberation for women and all who are oppressed at home and abroad, we must uproot the source of inequality – the profit-driven economy.

Radical Women believes in building a strong, fighting movement that advances the needs and leadership of the most oppressed – a movement independent of capitalist parties and interests. Democrats are not the answer.
No to “State Department feminism”

A funny thing happened on the way to the Seattle Women’s March 2.0. A group called the Truman National Security Project stepped into leadership – it’s listed in second place as a partner on the Women’s March Facebook page and it played a strong role in organizing meetings.

While calling itself a “liberal think-tank,” the Truman National Security Project (http://truman-project.org) reflects U.S. military, corporate, and imperialist interests. On the Board of Advisors of the Truman Center is Madeleine Albright, Secretary of State under the Clinton administration, where she enforced genocidal sanctions on Iraq that killed more than a half-million Iraqi children.

Truman Project members include Defense Department and State Department cohorts. Corporate heads, governmental officials, and wealthy philanthropists are on its board. It supports Democratic Party candidates. It differentiates itself from Trump, but, as is well known, the Clinton and Obama presidencies also deported immigrants, eroded civil liberties, targeted the poor, and spread death and misery throughout the world.

Why on earth are these people interested in the feminist movement? To tame it, conservatize it, subvert it, seduce it with funding grants, and co-opt it into a docile consumer base and political constituency. Radical Women says, No way! Hands off the feminist movement!

Join Radical Women

We work in every social movement to push for what is needed now as well as creating deeper change. Working and poor people of all races and genders have a common goal in getting rid of capitalism, which tries to divide and conquer us for the sake of profits.

The radical leadership of women, especially sisters of color, can create revolutionary change because women have little to gain from perpetuating the status quo. Help build this movement!